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OLD AND NEW TIMES.—[From the Norfolk Virginian.] We remember—several years ago—the grey beards of that day used to talk of the commerce possessed by Norfolk when they were young. That is, about the beginning of this century. We heard them declare that it was then not a very easy matter to cross the river because the square-rigged vessels lay so close to each other that it was hard to steer between them. They also vied on the boundless when they asserted that such and such an old merchant was worth his hundred of thousands before the “great crash” of 1818-19. We stretched our eyes at these affirmations; but when the aforesaid old men swore that the girls when they were young were so much more beautiful than the creatures of our youth, this capped the climax, and we flatly refused to believe any of their stories.

Nevertheless, we are now willing to admit, making due allowance for the laudation of past times, which has ever been a failing of age, that Norfolk did enjoy a great commerce from the beginning of the century up to the laying out of the embargo; while from the end of the War of 1812 up to 1818, her trade was again very considerable. There are many facts to confirm this, among which we may mention that during the Yellow Fever which visited this port, we believe in 1801, we are informed by an official announcement that twenty-five hundred sailors died. This shows that there must have been indeed huge fleets of merchantmen moored in our harbor, and that the trade of the Old Borough must have been great. Yet we should not forget that the schooners now are as large as the barques of that day and the brig now will compare in tonnage with the largest ships of the earlier years of the century.

Most of the commerce of the times of which we write was with foreign ports, and especially with those of the West Indies. We have lost most of this, it is true; but we are sure that we had nothing in asserting that the trade of Norfolk is greater now than it ever was. We admit that its character has entirely changed, for instead of carrying on a foreign commerce, our trade is now chiefly domestic. Our present avenue of commerce is the great net work of railroads which centre at this point, our canals which open all Eastern North Carolina to us, and our steam communication with Carolina, Virginia, the whole North, and with Europe. The twenty large steamers sent away to every point of the compass, some of them making from two to three trips a week, carry on an average, cargoes five times larger than the ships of seventy years ago, while the multitudes of smaller steamers and sailing vessels which daily leave our wharves average fully as high tonnage as the brigs and barques of that date. To this must be added the fact that where steam is employed fewer sailors are necessary, and not half so many hands are required to load and unload as was the case in former years. Our commerce, moreover, as now carried on, does not make the noise it did when our merchants loaded their ships with staves for the West Indies and unloaded their cargoes of sugars and rum.

“INTERNATIONAL.”—In the National Theater, in this city, a few nights since, a number of Indian chiefs, representatives of barbarous tribes whose hands are red with the blood of the white man shed in futile attempts to check the advance of civilization, were seated, looking with open-mouthed wonder at the juggling feats of a travelling band of Japanese. This bringing together of the Occident and the Orient has been repeated and improved upon in New York, where, in Wall street, a day or two since, among the bulls and bears, Red Cloud, Red Dog, Red Shirt, Red Skin, &c., the uncivilized, met and were introduced to the members of the Japanese Embassy representing the oldest civilization on earth. Can this be properly called a meeting of extremes, or is it not rather the reunion, after centuries of absence and estrangement of men of the same race, whose habits have grown dissimilar because of the diverse circumstances by which they were surrounded? In either case such meetings, under such circumstances, are among the remarkable events of the age, and might furnish a suggestive theme for the coming poet.—*Wash. Star.*

THE END OF THE WORLD.—The world we live in is doomed, and the fashion of it, Mr. John Fiske, of Harvard University, has determined for us upon an old theory, but as determined the latitude of New England, more does the earth each year adds to itself some one hundred and fifty billion meteoric particles. It is also losing part of its molar motion of rotation. It is further being retarded by radiation. The consequence of this will be that at last, the earth will strike the sun with tremendous force. The heat generated by such a collision will produce a temperature of nearly fifty millions of degrees centigrade. Disintegration will immediately follow, and then the whole solid mass of our unfortunate planet, together with everything upon it, animate and inanimate, large or small, fat or lean, will be “dissipated into a nebula.” Decidedly an unpleasant outlook, but it is consoling to know that Mr. Fiske allows us some millions of years to make up our minds to the lamentable fate predicted for us.—*Baltimore Gazette.*

A minister who, after a hard day's labor, was enjoying a “tea dinner,” kept incessantly praising the ham, and stating that “Mrs. Dunlop at home was a fine old ham as he was,” when the mistress kindly offered to send her the present of one. “It's uno kno! ye uno kno!” but I'll not ye ta the trouble o' sending it, I'll just tak' it home on the horse afore me.” When, on leaving he mounted, and the ham was put into a sack, some difficulty was experienced in getting it to lie properly. His inventive genius soon cut the Gordian knot. “I think, mistress, a cheese in the inner end would make a grand balance.” The hit was immediately acted on; and, like another John Gilpin, he moved away with his “balance true.”

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